

Prior law required that prior to the convening of each regular session of the legislature, DOTD hold public hearings in each highway district for the purpose of reviewing highway priorities. Prior law provided that a report based on the testimony received at said hearings will be sent to the Joint Highway Priority Construction Committee. Prior law then required DOTD to create the final construction program for the coming fiscal year for submission to the legislature.

New law retains prior law and adds a requirement for DOTD to provide a proposed program of construction to the Joint Highway Priority Construction Committee beginning on October 1, 2010 and not later than October 1st of each year thereafter, but requires that the committee hold public hearings in each highway district for the purpose of reviewing priorities for the coming fiscal year and submit a report based on the testimony received at said hearings to DOTD.

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(Amends R.S. 48:231(A))